



Rutherford County
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To the Honorable Members of the Budget and Finance Committee:

Please accept my apologies for my absence this evening. Our speakers are traveling in tonight for the animal abuse training that PAWS is hosting tomorrow and require transportation from the airport to their lodging.

PAWS is requesting to reclassify two vacant animal control officer positions within the department to a training officer and an administrative assistant. The change in employee pay is basically a wash. We have employees that are performing the functions of a training officer currently, but as an animal control officer, and currently no administrative assistant position is in the department. The administrative assistant will be largely responsible for answering the phone live as much as possible. As you are well aware, this seems to be the highest complaint that we receive.

This proposal passed through the Public Safety Committee on February 24, 2014 and I appreciate your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael Gregory